

INFORMATION BULLETIN

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: HOME DEPOT NATIONAL BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP SATELLITE
BROADCAST

Home Depot is anxious to develop an effective way to connect their over 1300 stores nationwide to the appropriate local One-Stop Career Center. To accomplish this, Home Depot President, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bob Nardelli and Department of Labor (DOL) Secretary Elaine Chao will be featured in a nationwide satellite broadcast on June 5, 2002, at 11 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (8 a.m. Pacific) to every Home Depot Store. They will be discussing the National Business Partnership between Home Depot and DOL and set the stage for relationship building between the local One-Stop Career Center Systems and the local Home Depot stores. This broadcast is an exciting and unique opportunity for California Local Workforce Investment Areas to partner together with a major business employer to ensure that the job openings at Home Depot stores are made available to their One-Stop customers.

Home Depot has requested local areas to provide the name of the appropriate One-Stop Operator/Center that will be dealing with **each of their local stores** along with contact information including address, phone number, fax number, and key contact person (including their e-mail). Home Depot is also requesting that local areas submit a list of individual(s) who will be attending the June 5 broadcast along with which store location they will be visiting. They would like to have a local area/One-stop representative be at each of their stores for the broadcast to enable their store management to meet them and start building the foundation for future partnerships. To assist you in identifying the proximity of Home Depots to California One-Stop Career Centers, DOL has put together a matrix you can access at www.edd.ca.gov/one-stop/homedepot.pdf.

Please submit the requested information to Greg Gibson by e-mail ggibson@edd.ca.gov or fax at (916) 654-9863 by close of business on May 28, 2002. We will forward your information to DOL on May 29, 2002, so that it may be shared with Home Depot. If you have any questions, you can contact Mr. Gibson at (916) 654-8824.

I realize this is an aggressive timeframe, but having this level of commitment from the top management of a major employer is an opportunity that rarely presents itself and one that (given current economic conditions) we can ill afford to miss. I thank you in advance for your cooperation.

/S/ BILL BURKE
Chief
Workforce Investment Division